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TITLE OF INVENTION  
PIPERAZINE DERIVATIVES AS 5-HT<sub>1B</sub> ANTAGONISTS

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Preliminary to calculation of the filing fees and examination of the above noted application, entrance of the following remarks and amendments into the record is respectfully requested.

In the Claims:

Please amend the following claims: ✓

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4. A compound according to claim 1 in which Y is CH<sub>2</sub>.
  6. A compound according to claim 1 in which W is -CH<sub>2</sub>-CH<sub>2</sub>- or -CH=CH-.
  7. A compound according to claim 1 in which R<sup>c</sup> is hydrogen or methyl.
  8. A compound according to claim 1 in which R<sup>d</sup> and R<sup>e</sup> are both methyl.
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